

five will show fans in this section a sample of their tossing wares tonight when they oppose the Northwestern five in Patten gymnasium. Because

of their triumphs over Illinois and Wisconsin within a week the Gophers stand up as the favorites for the conference cage honors.

KAISER, 58 TODAY, MOST ACTIVE OF ALL THE 15 RULERS IN WORLD WAR



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The Kaiser Today.

Kaiser Wilhelm is 58 today!
He is the fifth oldest ruler of Eu-

rope and third in duration of his reign. He has ruled 29 years. He became emperor of Germany and king of Prussia, June 15, 1888, upon the death of his father, Frederick III.

In spite of his years, the kaiser is the most active ruler of all belligerents in the European war. He travels from front to front, braving all weathers, and is an inspiration to his men wherever he appears.

Persons who have seen him have marveled at his power of endurance and resourcefulness.

Kaiser Wilhelm was married in 1881 to Princess Augusta Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein. They have seven children and eight grandchildren. He, of all European sovereigns, has been the only one to reaffirm his belief in the divine right of kings, in 1911.

Next in line to the throne of Germany is Crown Prince Frederick William, who will become Frederick IV. He was born in 1882 and was married in 1905 to Duchess Cecile of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. They have four sons and one daughter.

The four rulers of Europe who are older than Kaiser Wilhelm are Peter Nicholas of Montenegro, 75; King Peter of Serbia, 72; Sultan Mohammed V., 72, and King Gustav V. of Sweden, 59.

The kaiser is two years younger than President Wilson, who is 60. King George of England is 52; President Poincaré of France, 57.

The rulers who have held the throne longer than the kaiser are Czar Ferdinand of Bulgaria, who has ruled 30 years, and King Alfonso of Spain, who has been ruler since his birth, 31 years ago.